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Dear Admiral Byrd:

Your very kind letter of 8 June arrived while I was out of town on a short trip, but I hasten to thank you for your expression of confidence and support. To know that the responsible people of the nation, such as you, are behind us in these troubled times is indeed a great comfort. It is also reassuring to me to know that I can always count upon your help.

With warm personal regards,

Faithfully,

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(Signed) ALLEN W. DAVIS

Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd, USN (Ret.)

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The Director has asked that the attached letter to Admiral Byrd be personally delivered by the [] or whomsoever he may designate, in order that his "personal appreciation may be expressed to the Admiral for his ~~offer~~ offer of assistance". The Director has also asked that at time of [] we ask Admiral Byrd's views whether it might be possible for the

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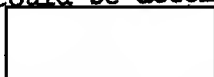
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remote that such action could be accomplished?

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RICHARD EVELYN BYRD

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June 8, 1954

Mr. Allen W. Dulles,
Central Intelligence Agency,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:-

I wish still again to offer you my services. Of course, since I wrote you last I have been doing what I can to help.

We know that no one is taking seriously anything said in criticism of the C.I.A.

To talk about security risk in your organization would be absolutely ridiculous for two reasons; first, because you are there; and secondly, it would we know be very bad indeed for the country both at home and abroad to start investigating the C.I.A.

I just wanted you to know that we are for you and your splendid brother also. ^{of course} I am glad that I am able to understand his statements regarding foreign policy. Your task, as everyone knows, is tremendously important.


Success to you in every respect! The nation is back of you.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Richard E Byrd

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